

**[ ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER NO. 8, April 27, 1966 ]**

**CREATING A COMMITTEE TO STUDY AND RECOMMEND  
SOLUTIONS TO THE SQUATTER PROBLEM**

WHEREAS, the squatter problem, especially in urban areas, is assuming serious proportions; and

WHEREAS, prompt action is necessary to curb this social malady and to instill a deeper respect for rights of public dominion and for private rights;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, FERDINAND E. MARCOS, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby create a committee to undertake studies and formulate solutions to the nation-wide squatter problem, composed of the following:

The Presidential Assistant on Housing	Chairman
The Undersecretary of Justice or his representative	Member
The Chairman, People's Homesite and Housing Corporation, or his representative	Member
The Social Welfare Administrator or his representative	Member
The Director of Lands or his representative	Member
The Presidential Assistant on Community Development or his representative	Member

The committee shall submit a list of squatter areas all over the country, locate suitable resettlement areas, coordinate government activities for the resettlement of squatters and adopt or recommend measures to curb or minimize squatting.

The committee is hereby empowered to call upon any department, bureau, office, agency or instrumentality of the government for such assistance as it may need in the discharge of its functions.

Done in the City of Manila, this 27th day of April, in the year of Our Lord, nineteen hundred sixty-six.

(Sgd.) **FERDINAND E. MARCOS**  
President of the Philippines

By the President:

(Sgd.) **RAFAEL M. SALAS**  
Executive Secretary

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